News From The Haven

July/August 2021



We hosted a Longest Day bake sale at North Park to raise funds for the Alzheimer's Association. Supporters pictured here are: Maureen Stork, Lisa Gillespie, Katie Fehr, Joyce Blunier, Annie Harpeneau, Judy Anliker and Lila Fehr.

We celebrated our high school seniors with a graduation ceremony at the end of May. Congratulations to our seniors! Pictured below are (front row, L-R): Kate Stadeli, Mariah Turner, Katherine Steffen, Lexi Zimmerman, Sarah Waldbeser and Abby Bergstralh. Back row: Rachel Stork, Darla Meiss, Abby Aberle, Kelsey Edelman, Emma Kinkade and Natalie Graf. Seniors not able to be at the ceremony were: Hannah Reinagle and Riley Casner.



An Apostolic Christian community where choice is valued, growth is encouraged and life abounds.



Reflections From Rick

-Rick Flattner, Director of Fublic Relations

A year ago around this time, we began thinking about our annual fundraiser, *Harvest of Sharing*, and we realized that it wouldn't be a normal event.

As we recognized that the covid shutdown would be lasting longer than we first thought, we came to the conclusion that we would not be hosting our annual Benefit Dinner. We brainstormed and wondered, "Would our faithful donors being willing to buy a virtual meal?" That was a fancy way to say, "Would they pay for a meal and, in return, receive nothing to eat?"

The answer was: they would! 650+ "virtual meals" were purchased in 2020!

We hosted an online auction and worried that, without the ability to touch and feel the available items, it would be a non-event. We worried in vain. God blessed our efforts and the online auction actually drew a lot of excitement.

The bottom line was that our receipts from the event exceeded the previous year. We need to acknowledge that God added a blessing and that Fairview Haven supporters are the best. We received thousands of support dollars long before the first pretend meal was consumed and the first bid received. How are we going to top that?

This year, we are thankful to report that Fairview Haven is making preparation for a 2021 Harvest of Sharing Auction and Benefit Dinner. The auction will be both online and onsite.

And our hope is to offer carry-out meals this year. That means we are planning on firing up the grill and

preparing our delicious pork loins and yummy chicken. Our delicious side dishes will be provided and in addition, one of our star attractions, we will plan to have a great selection of homemade pies!

Many of our devoted 2020 auction participants enjoyed the ability to watch and follow their bids electronically. This gave many loved ones the opportunity to bid remotely as if they were on campus. The new feature of being able to place a maximum bid was intriguing and the online system would continue to place bids even when people were tied up doing something else. We are intending to still offer these opportunities for remote bidding.

We also are hoping to have many of the auction items available for viewing in our Maintenance Shed (north of Serenity Villa) during this event. We pared down the number of items available last year but, this year, we hope to see the selection of goods we have experienced in the past. Some items (such as gift certificates) may not be on physical display, but many of the auction items (i.e. toys, tools and kitchen items) will be available for your handling.

Last year, we were a little reluctant to seek support of our local merchants, as we knew they were enduring a very uncertain and difficult time. We still will be sensitive as we know the economic effects of Covid 19 are affecting the local businesses.

In thinking this through, we pondered, what can our supporters do to help us have a successful Harvest of

Sharing this year? The following list of possibilities came to mind:

—We will still need a host of volunteers to prepare and serve the food for carry-outs.

—We will still need our talented pie bakers.

—We could use donations for purchasing gift certificates or other items for the auction.

—We are in need of donated toys, household items, tools, etc for bid-

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DOROTHY RUDIN enjoyed seeing her family at a picnic hosted in Cissna Park. It was so wonderful to be able to travel and enjoy being with loved ones there!



Good Neighbors

Fairview Haven has a long legacy of caring in our neighboring communities. We believe part of our mission statement "encouraging growth" includes creating opportunities to share with others. "Life abounds" when we can give to one another and to our community. Fairview Haven encourages volunteerism by supporting team members and residents in their personal efforts, as well as seeking out connections and opportunities for giv-

Our Good Neighbors of Fairview Haven committee is always looking for opportunities to involve the Fairview Haven family in projects to give back to our communities.

Recent projects included collecting and packaging hundreds of food and hygiene items for distribution to children at the Prairie Central area food pan-

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AT LEFT: Barb Hurt, Joyce Blunier and Mary Bane (seated) helped with the daunting task of packaging food items for the local food pantries. Not pictured was Pat Hartman.

BELOW: Janice Nussbaum, Mary Bane, Joyce Blunier and Judy Anliker create play-doh to sell at the Farmers Market.





© Welcome to Fairview Haven ©

Charles Steidinger came for a brief rehab stay and has since returned to his home in Fairbury with his wife, JoAnn.

Harry Haile came for recuperation and has returned to his home in Mahomet.

Edith Clausen is here for a time of rehab with plans to return to her home soon.

We welcome Kenny Helmers to Daffodil Drive. He lives in Anchor

with his wife, Anna.

Fairbury resident Shirley Hulse joined us. We welcome her back!

Janet Meiss is recuperating here and hopes to go home soon with her husband, Richard.

We welcomed Wally Ross from his home in Fairbury with his wife, Mary Lynn. He was here for a time and is now in Serenity Villa.

East Haven dweller Joan Treden-

nick is here for recuperation.

Joan Haberkorn from Chatsworth is in rehabilitation and plans to return home with her husband. Francis.

One of our volunteers, Joann VanAntwerp of Fairbury, is here for some rehab.

We welcomed Pat Perkins back for a time of respite. She lives in Fairbury with her husband, Don.

Connections of Fairview Haven update

As the sun is bringing growth to the flowers and plants outside, Connections of Fairview Haven Home Care is growing also. We have now been approved for licensure so that we can provide home care in McLean County. It is very exciting to be able to provide service to our surrounding communities.

Our goal is to provide the best care to our clients as they have dedicated their lives to our communities.

We are now focusing on therapy services for our clients to be able to build and keep their strength up. Currently, we are working with Elite Performance through Gibson Hospital to create an in-home program allowing our clients to do some light exercise training. Being more physically fit will help in every aspect in

RICH ABERLE, Gladys Koehl and Evelyn Freeland (not pictured) enjoyed a time of connecting with young people from the Boys and Girls Club in the park. their life and give them the ability to stay in their homes longer. We are working out the details on what this will look like and how it will be accomplished.

With the weather getting warmer, we also are going to get clients out and about around

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In Loving Memory Of . . .

Allen Zimmerman, 89, of Farrbury passed away Wednesday, May 5, 2021, after having been in the Fairview Haven family since 2019. His funeral was May 8 at the Forrest Apostolic Christian Church. Surviving him are his wife. Melba, of Fairbury: daughters, Shelly (Ray) Steidinger of Strawn, Cinda (Ivan) Fehr and Holly (Glen) Steidinger, both of Fairbury; one son, Kent (Paulette) Zimmerman of Forrest; six stepchildren, Kenny (Patsy) Steffen of Tangier, IN; Dean (Shirley) Steffen of Butler, IN; Terry Young of Lakewood, CO; Marvin (Rhea) Steffen and Jon (Sandy) Steffen, both of Naples, FL; and Greg (Darla) Steffen of Leroy; 25 grandchildren; 12 stepgrand-children: 67 greatgrandchildren; and seven step-greatgrandchildren. Al was a lifetime farmer and truck driver. He belonged to the Apostolic Christian Church of Forrest, He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

The funeral service for **Mary Lou Schuler**, 92, of Lexington was held Saturday, May 22, 2021 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Chenoa, where she was an active member for 72

years. She passed away May 16. Mary Lou had come to Fairview Haven in January 2021. Survivors include three children, Dwight Schuler of Lexington; LuAnn (Bryon) Lundell of Phoenix, MD; and Paul (Kelly) Schuler of Lexington; a brother, David (JoAnne) Bossingham of Minier; six grandchildren; and eight greatgrandchildren. Mary Lou had a degree in home economics and taught in the Lexington school district. She was active in her community in many volunteer roles.

Fairbury resident **Phyllis Eilers**, 91, passed away Tuesday, May 18, 2021. Her funeral service was May 22 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Fairbury. Phyllis had lived at Fairview Haven since 2015. Surviving her are her son, Kevin (Heather) Smith of Oreana; five grandchildren; and one brother, Weldon Garrelts. Phyllis worked at Fairbury Medical Associates. She was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Fairbury. She was awarded the Fairbury Citizen of the Year in 2014.

The funeral of 81-year-old **Lawrence** "Pete" Bauer was Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at the Cissna Park

Apostolic Christian Church. Pete passed away on May 23, after having lived at Fairview Haven for a year. He is survived by two sisters, Dorothy Walder and Carol (John) Waldbeser, both of Cissna Park; one brother, Bob (Sonnie) Bauer of Cissna Park; and many nieces and nephews. Pete farmed and worked in the Cissna Park lumberyard. He also worked at Lifetime Doors in Watseka and a concrete factory in Paxton. Pete belonged to the Cissna Park Apostolic Christian Church.

Dorothy Dassow, 94, passed away Tuesday, June 1, 2021. Dorothy had lived in Fairview Suites since 2016. Dorothy's funeral service was June 4 at Duffy-Pils Memorial Home, Fairbury. Survivors include two daughters, Marla (Ervin) Fehr and Becky (Rusty) Barker; three grandsons; six great-grandchildren; one nephew and two nieces. Dorothy and her husband, Elmer, farmed near Chatsworth. She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Chatsworth and taught Sunday school for 33 years. She made and sold homemade crafts.

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WHO I AM IN CHRIST

Selected

I am accepted.

I am God's child. (John 1:12)

As a disciple, I am Christ's friend. (John 15:15)

I have been justified. (Rom. 5:1)

I am a member of Christ's body. (I Cor. 12:27)

I am united with the Lord and one with Him in

Spirit. (I Cor. 6:17)

I have been bought with a price, I belong to Him. (I Cor. 6:19-20)

I am a saint. (Eph. 1:1)

I have direct access to God through the Holy Spirit. (Eph. 2:18)

I am complete in Christ. (John 1:12)

I have been redeemed and forgiven of my sins. (Col

I have been adopted as God's child. (Eph. 1:5)

I am secure. I am free from condemnation. (Rom. 8:1-2)

I am assured that God works for my good in all circumstances. (Rom. 8:28)

I am free from any condemning charges against me and I cannot be separated from the love of God. (Rom. 8:31-39)

I have been established, anointed and selected by God. (II Cor. 1:21-22)

I am hidden with Christ in God. (Col. 3:3)

I am confident that the good work God has begun in me will be completed. (Phil. 1:6)

I am a citizen of Heaven. (Phil. 3:20)

I have not been given a spirit of fear, but of power, love and a sound mind. (II Tim. 1:7)

I can find mercy and grace in time of need. (Heb. 4:16)

I am born of God and the evil one cannot touch me. (I John 5:18)

I am significant.

I am the salt and light of the earth (Matt. 5:13-14) I am a branch of the true vine, a channel of His life. (John 15:1,5)

I am a personal witness of Christ's. (Acts 1:8) I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit.

(John 15:16)

Ì am God's temple (I Cor. 3:16)

I am a minister of reconciliation for God. (II Cor. 5:17-21)

I am God's co-worker. (II Cor. 6:1)

I am seated with Jesus Christ in the heavenly realm. (Eph. 2:6)

I am God's workmanship. (Eph. 2:10)

I may approach God with freedom and confidence. (Eph. 3:12)

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. (Phil. 4:13)

I am free!

The more you reaffirm who you are in Christ, the more your behavior will begin to reflect your true identity.

If you have any poems or short inspiring articles to contribute for Party Line, please send to Sally Fehr (sfehr@fairviewhaven.org) or drop them off at the Social Service office. They will be printed as space is available.

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Andria Dibble joined the team at Serenity Villa nine months ago as a care partner. She says: "I love how really tell administration appreciates their staff and making sure everyone is well taken care of. I love my job here!"

her Andria and husband. Edmund, live in Gibson City. They were married in 2015 and have a 3year-old daughter, Piper Andria's parents are Matt and Jill (McCulloh) Doran. She has one brother.

Andria loves music and loves to She enjoys baking pies, watching crocheting, cooking shows, fishing and being with her family. She also likes writing poetry and we shared a very touching poem from her in a recent newsletter.

Andria is also studying to be a death doula. She says, "I believe end of life care is so important and I am very passionate about it."



ANDRIA DIBBLE

Thoughts from Dave's Desk ...

Dave Blunier, Administrator

Greetings from Dave's Desk!

"Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters and that spreadeth out her roots by the river and shall not see when heat cometh but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit. (Jeremiah 17:7-8)

The management team at Fairview Haven has recently started reading the book *Lead Like it Matters to God* by Richard Stearns and working through a study guide together. It has been a really eye-opening book.

This past week, we discussed TRUST. Stearns points out that "trusting God completely is one of the most difficult things we are ever asked to do. BUT only by trusting God can

we rise above the daily stresses and pressures of life and work."

I probably talk about COVID way too often in my newsletter articles and yet I have only scratched the surface! It's interesting that, as we work through this study guide, I am fairly certain that, every week, we all share a lesson that we have learned from the journey we have been on in the past 15 months here at Fairview Haven. I have often said that, while it has been one of the darkest times of my life, I am so thankful for the experience.

I don't think I am a good writer so I couldn't possibly write a book, but, if I had that talent, I could write a book on the provisions of God in the past 15 months. He was constantly reminding us how great He really is. God uses these dark times to build and strength-

en our trust in Him. So, while there is nobody that wants this pandemic to pass on more than I do, as I reflect back on it (with tears), I thank Jesus for this journey!

I pray that, in the next journey, I will take a deep breath, recognize my God for how BIG he really is and, rather than longing for, hoping for, and pushing for the end to come, I will soak up all the blessings that God has for me DURING the journey.

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The covid journey isn't over. We are all so relieved and thankful for the current status in Illinois and the fact that all restrictions have been lifted at this time. Unfortunately, this does not apply to healthcare settings and, especially, congregate living situations. We are in a difficult time because some of our policies (primarily federal regulations) seem to not make a lot of sense (honestly,

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Photo Puzzler



"I just received my newsletter and was shocked and opened it right to a picture of my grandpa Zimmerman and Uncle Johnny. My mom would have loved seeing

this. I never had the honor of meeting my grandpa Zimmerman but I was born on his birthday and

that makes me feel very special. I heard he was an amazing man. Also there is one sibling left from Joe and Hermina's kids: my uncle Bob Zimmerman. He and his wife, Lucy, live in Bloomington. The King family sure does miss seeing all of you. Thank you for the wonderful surprise." — Lisa Fuoss of Chatsworth

(Ruth King's daughter)

"Just reading the newsletter. I recognized right away the photo of John Zimmerman and his father, Joe." —Jeannette Bahler of Fairbury

Clues: This family of six grew up on a farm near Fairbury where their parents still live. Two of them live in the area. The photo was taken in 1974. Several of them (and their mother) were employed at Fairview Haven.

Please send your guesses to: Editor, *News From The Haven*, 605 N. Fourth, Fairbury, IL 61739; *or* e-mail to sfehr@fairviewhaven.org *or* drop off at Social Services.



Why Be A Nurse?

In honor of National Nurses Week, some of our Fairview Haven nurses shared thoughts on the question: "Why are you a nurse?" We wanted to share their inspiring responses with you all.

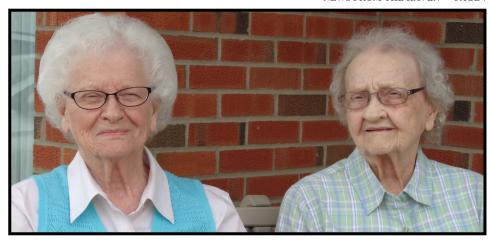
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Being a nurse is an art. It's challenging but a wonderful way to serve others every day! I am a nurse at Fairview Haven because of the location and the standards set for care.

I would like to make an impact on the advancement of quality of care delivered to seniors.

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I am a nurse because I enjoy helping others, and I wanted to have the knowledge to know how to respond to various needs, ailments or emergencies if they arose. I have been in situations prior to obtaining my license where I felt helpless when someone was in need, and that drove me to continue my education so I could be more prepared to assist others. I am a nurse



BERNICE COX (right) celebrated her 103rd birthday in June. Here she is pictured with her sister, Velda Huette.

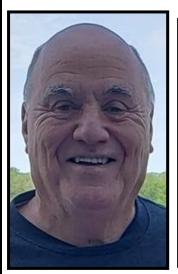
at Fairview Haven because even from a young age, I have always had a lot of compassion for the geriatric community. I actually used to deliver newspapers here for years to residents when I was younger and had a paper route, and always looked forward to coming through Fairview Haven (perhaps it also had a little something to do with the amount of candy I received from residents, but also the genuine care and interest that some residents took in my own life when we stopped to talk always made me feel

like I mattered). It is important to me that others view the geriatric community not as people who are "aging out," but who are spending what Ronald Reagan called "the sunset years" in a place that honors their history and values their personal beliefs and preferences. My own grandparents passed away before I was able to fully gather their life stories and understand the varying needs they had as they aged, and so, for me, having the ability to work at a place where I am surrounded by

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Volunteers in the SPOTLIGHT ...







IN OUR PREVIOUS recognition for covid volunteers, we accidentally omitted Dennis Greear and Jim Schneider who also transported tests to the Gibson City Lab for us.

Hobby Conner

Featuring the hobbies and interests of residents



Judy
Anliker
enjoys
visiting
with
friends
in the
courtyard.
Here she
is hosting
Jim and
Marlene
Plattner.

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not even to us sometimes).

In our orientation process, as I meet with new team members, I share characteristics that I expect of our team members. One of the characteristics we talk about is integrity. I always share that our team is expected to do the right thing every day. We don't change our practices when surveyors walk in our building. We may not agree with the regulations we are asked to follow and we certainly don't always like them. But we follow them the best we can.

Memorial Fund Report

Contributions were received in the

- Al Zimmerman

We are very thankful to have volunteers and visitors back in our building. Our residents were real heroes during the COVID-19 pandemic. But, oh how they missed their loved ones! We need YOU here.

Unfortunately, we must and we will continue to follow the regulations. At this time, any person in the common spaces of our buildings who is not a resident is required to have a face cov-

ew Faces!

following welcome the members to our team: CNAs Abby Bergstralh and Whitney Hetherington; Serenity Villa caregivers, Sydney Rothert and Annie Harpenau; Lisa Price, Krissy Hampton and Tanya Rothert, Connections caregivers; Em Moyer, Emma Bachtold and Alayna Brewster, dining services; Kate Stadeli, receptionist.

ering on his/her mouth and nose. In addition, if you are anywhere on our campus (including outdoors) around a resident, you must also have your face covered.

If the resident is also fully vaccinated, fully vaccinated visitors (not volunteers or team members) may remove masks when in designated visiting areas only (such as resident rooms).

I cannot possibly express how difficult it is for our team (including me) to approach our volunteers and visitors who are not in compliance. We have the choice to approach you and feel sick about it or ignore it and feel sick. Sometimes we do ignore it, sadly.

Can I plead with our visitors and volunteers — please comply. And if, for some reason, you can't comply or won't comply, will you please just refrain from coming for the time being?

That's not what we want, but I pray you can understand my heart.

We hope the restrictions will be lifted soon and we want to follow them with integrity while they are required.

past few months in memory of:

- Pete Bauer
- Dorothy Dassow

VOLUNTEER VOICES

TRISH STEIDINGER, Volunteer Coordinator





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We are so thankful for what our volunteers do for us here at Fairview Haven! Over the past month or two, we were able to reinstate our ladies' tea at Serenity Villa and our men's coffee hour at Fairview Haven with some restrictions. In addition, we have some volunteer singers and song leaders coming in for Sunday morning services now, along with the minister rotation!

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, willing volunteers have washed some of our windows. We do still have quite a few windows that need to be washed. If you would be interested in getting a group together to wash some of our windows, please let us know!

I would like to mention that all volunteers

coming back will receive a quick 2-minute volunteer Covid orientation. It doesn't take long, and most volunteers already know the information. After the orientation, each volunteer signs off to show he/she has received the orientation. One of the stipulations in that orientation is that every volunteer will need to wear a mask over their mouth AND nose the entire time they volunteer, unless they are outside or in a room all by themselves. This is very

important and we ask that if you come in to volunteer you comply with this requirement the entire time you are in the building. If, for some reason, this is hard for you and you prefer not to come in right now, we understand. We appreciate so much when volunteers willingly comply. We would love to say we don't need to do these things, but these are requirements given to us by the State of Illinois. We hope there will be a time when these things will not be necessary in the future, but for right now, this is where we

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Trish at 815-692-6726, 815-848-5599 or tsteidinger@fairviewhaven.org.



THANKS to the Cissna Park volunteers who recently washed our windows. Pictured here are: Velma Rinkenberger and Denise Walder.

CONNECTIONS

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the community. We have partnered with the Boys and Girls Club of Livingston County to set up dates at the park for our clients to interact with the club boys and girls. We have also had a few opportunities to share a nice dining out experience with our clients, along with drives and reminiscing around the country side.

We are still in the process of reaching out to multiple communities with our flyers and advertising. We have had advertising on the Paul Garcia show, WPXN in Paxton and WGCY in Gibson City. We were also involved in a local event called *Experience Fairbury*. It is very exciting to see such growth in home care and to be able to serve others.

With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men. — Ephesians 6:7 By Arla Wheeler

REFLECTIONS

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ding.

- —We would welcome anyone willing to prepare and host a meal for the auction.
- —We would love anyone who has a timeshare or vacation home to donate a getaway.
- —We will once again ask our generous donors to click the fund-a -need button and donate money for the purchasing of goods and services to provide for those in need.

This sounds like a lot, but we have confidence in our Fairview Haven family! Thanks for your support and may God bless our efforts. We will continue to explore and keep you posted as this year's *Harvest of Sharing* unfolds!

GOOD SAMARITAN UPDATE

We wish to thank each of you that support us in prayer, monetary goods, and volunteering. We are becoming more dependent on our state for our Medicaid funding and as you well know, they pay only a portion of what good and loving care actually costs. What would we do without the blessings of the Father and of you, our supporters? The answer is, NOT VERY WELL!

GOOD NEIGHBORS

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tries during the summer. Meadow Lane Private School and homeschoolers made bookmarks to share with the children.

Also we're excited that the neighbors at Serenity Villa have been creating products to sell at the Farmers Market. They have made keychains, fragranced soaps, bird suet, dog biscuits, scented non-toxic play-doh and slime for kids to play with. Check for these and other new products when

you visit the Farmers Market! We plan to use any proceeds towards other community projects.

We are also looking forward to partnering with The Community Connection Shoppe in Chatsworth and selling our handmade products there.

If you have any questions or other ideas for us, please contact the *Good Neighbors of Fairview Haven* committee: Rick Plattner, Anna McKeon, Barb Hall, Crystal Miller, Trish Steidinger or Sally Fehr.

WHY BE A NURSE

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the loved ones of others in a way helps to mend that gap, and offers me a chance to care for the residents with the respect that I would have wanted my own family cared for. The wonderful thing, too, is that while I am able to help meet the needs of others, I have also built some truly meaningful relationships with the residents and their families.

I have been to other facilities, and there truly is no comparison to the quality, respect, love, honor, and care that Fairview Haven delivers to our residents and I am so proud to be a nurse here and carry out Fairview Haven's mission.

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I have wanted to be a nurse since I was a little girl. I always loved working with the elderly. Fairview Haven is by far the best home I have ever worked in. It is close to home. Everyone is so helpful and friendly. It truly is like having a second family.

I miss my mother. That simple.

I think we all go into nursing because we love caring for people. It is so incredibly rewarding to see our residents smile.

Supporting people in a caring way and helping them to deal/cope with their present situation is rewarding. As well as, figuring out the "little things" that make a difference to them.

I am a nurse because there is no greater gift than being able to care for those who can no longer care for themselves. I am a nurse at Serenity Villa/Fairview Haven because it is a loving, caring, Christian environment and it is close to home!

I stayed with Fairview Haven because of its Christian values

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In honor of nurses week... Being a nurse to me, is so much more than the letters that are behind our name... it is about the heart, the compassion, the dedication, the commitment, the respect, and the love for the work that all of us do. It is about each person who decided to become a nurse, to dedicate their life to caring for others unselfishly and for no other reason than to try to find a way to bring them comfort and peace. And then you throw COVID in the mix and despite our own fears and worries, we showed up. Every single day, with head-to-toe PPE, struggling for our own breath, worried constantly that we might be the next patient in that bed ... we

showed up. We always show up!!!!!

We are nurses. We care about you, your family, the people you love and we care for them as if they are our own. We are nurses. I am honored to work with the nurses here and I am honored to be in this club, this tribe, this pack of beautiful and lovely, wonderful human beings who give their whole heart for someone else.

We are nurses... and I love us so much! Happy nurses day... to ALL of you!!!!!!! xoxox

I love to help people feel better I don't want them to be uncomfortable or in pain . I don't like them to be sad or especially crying . I am a nurse at Fairview Haven because I love the residents and all my coworkers. I feel we are one big family.

Scenes From The Home ...







YOUNG PEOPLE at the Boys' and Girls' Club of Fairbury created May baskets to share with Connections clients. See the happy smiles they brought to Dave Kilgus (left) and Shirley Hulse!





A BEAUTIFUL PORTRAIT of four generations was taken as Dorothy Householder's family was visiting her. At back are great-granddaughter, Emma Borgman; granddaughter, Nicole Borgman and daughter, Nancy Fry.

MEN'S COFFEE HOUR has resumed and we are delighted to be able to host it again. At left are Don Rinkenberger and Jim Abbey. Below are: Rich Aberle, Jim Steidinger and Rick Plattner.





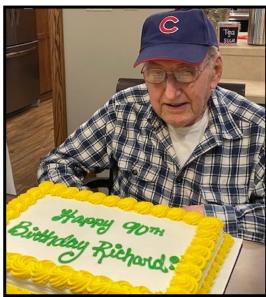


ABOVE: We're glad to be able to go on bus rides again. Pictured (L-R) are: Betty Wiegand, Marilyn Butler and Jim Steidinger.

LEFT: Henry Steffen plays golf with grandchildren, Tyler and Tenley Steffen.

BELOW LEFT: Betty Wiegand adds the worms to dirt dessert cups, along with Loree Steidinger.





RICH ABERLE celebrated his 90th birthday. BELOW: Diane Rieger and Nancy Hauptli are happy cuddling a dog that came to visit.







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THE LAST LAUGH ...

Employer: We need someone responsible for this job.

Job Applicant: Your search ends here!

In my previous job, whenever something went wrong, everybody always said I was responsible.

-Contributed by Dave Blunier



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

JULY BIRTHDAYS

09 - Anna Kaeb

11 - Belen Secoquian

14 - Marilyn Tate

14 - Joan Tredennick

14 - Doris Steidinger

19 - Nila Johansen

21 - Shirley Hulse

It is the policy of Fairview Haven to give equal opportunity to all qualified persons without regard to race, color, religion, sex, marital status, disability, national origin or age.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

05 - Mary Beckley

05 - Marilyn Butler

23 - Janice

05 - Joy Zimmerman 12 - Wanda Coyne

Nussbaum

17 - Dorothy Rudin

25 - Barbara Hurt

20 - Elaine Kuntz

18 - Betty Wiegand

30 - Colleen

19 - Ron Schlipf

Walter

20 - Eleanor Honegger

EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS:

JULY — Jadyn Stephens (1); Abby Aberle (2); Taylor Nelson (5); Addy Bachtold (7); Maria Miess (7); Jessica Friedman (8); Emma Eisenmann (11); Monica Embry (11); Amanda Bee (13); Teresa Eggenberger (14); Caitlyn Cotter (19); Stacy Jordon (21); Emma Kinkade (24); Dave Blunier (25); Kate Stadeli (27); Courtnie Davis (30); Rachel Stork (31).

AUGUST — Riley Casner (2); Lexi Zimmerman (2); Kaye Lynch (3); Courtney Webb (3); Darlene Hildensperger (7); Nikol Martin (10); Kris Moyer (15); Cheryl Pennington (17); Connie Wlos (18); Heidi Reiners (23); Jessica Niffen Todd (29).

99 CLOSING QUOTE

One day, the mountain that is in front of you will be so far behind you, it will barely be visible in the distance. But the person you become in learning to get over it? That will stay with you forever. And that is the point of the mountain.

—Brianna Wiest